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The Committee on repairs reported verbally the progress of the object of their appointment towards its accomplishment; that the Trustees of the Boston Library Society expressed a willingness to pay half of the expenses; and that a subscription paper was in circulation to collect assistance in behalf of this Society.

Voted, That the Librarian be requested to have the pamphlets now sorted and in bundles bound.

Voted, That the President be desired, in the name of the Society, to make application to Elisha Hutchinson, Esq., of Birmingham, and other descendants and representatives of the late Thomas Hutchinson, Esq., formerly Governor of Massachusetts Bay, to obtain the continuation or unpublished part of his History; and to express the sense of the Society on the great value of that work, and the desire of the community on this side of the Atlantic to enjoy the complete labors of that distinguished antiquary.

Benjamin R. Nichols, Esq., was nominated a Resident Member.

Meeting dissolved.*

QUARTERLY MEETING, JANUARY, 1819.

At a meeting of the Historical Society, Jan. 28, 1819, — the members present were, Allen, A. Bradford, Clap, Davis, Dexter, Eliot, Freeman, Gray, Hedge, Holmes, Lowell, Palmer, Pierce, Popkin, Quincy, Savage, Shaw,

* In a list of members of the Society, prefixed to Vol. I., fourth series, of the Collections, 1852, John Langdon Sullivan, A.M., M.D., elected a member in 1801, is put down as having removed from the State in 1818. In a list published in 1825, his name is inserted as a member, but it is omitted from subsequent lists. Mr. Sullivan was a son of Governor James Sullivan, and lived for many years in New York, where he practised as a physician. He subsequently returned to Boston, where he died Feb. 10, 1865, aged eighty-eight years. See notice of him in Drake's American Biography. — Eds.

Snelling, Spooner, Tucker, Tudor, Jr., J. Winthrop, and T. L. Winthrop.

Several communications, historical and topographical, were made by the Corresponding Secretary, and were referred to the Publishing Committee.

BENJAMIN R. NICHOLS, Esq., of Salem, was elected a Resident Member.

Dr. DEXTER, from the Committee for that purpose, reported that they were unsuccessful in their endeavors to obtain subscriptions to aid in defraying the expense of repairing the roof.

Voted, The thanks of the Society to Mr. Warden for his attention to its interests.*

Jonathan Goodhue, Esq., of New York, was nominated as a Corresponding Member by Mr. Tucker, and Robert Southey, Esq., of London, by Mr. Savage.

Meeting dissolved.

* The Society, nearly two years previously (see p. 265), had sent a set of the Collections, in sixteen volumes, to the King's Library, in Paris, and to the Institute of France, directed to the care of Mr. Warden by a letter to him dated Sept. 30, 1817. Mr. Warden attended to the duty with which he was charged, and acknowledgments are on file received from M. Delambre, Perpetual Secretary of the Institute, under date of Jan. 19, 1818; and also from M. Barbier, Librarian of the King's Library (his private library), dated March 18, 1818, conveying the thanks of His Majesty for the gift, with a list of books presented to the Society by the King in return. The receipt of the books Dr. Holmes acknowledged in a letter to M. Barbier, dated July 28, 1818, saying that the gift of the King would be laid before the Society at the next meeting, and an acknowledgment made in the volume of Collections then in the press. (See 2 Collections, VIII. 329.) This letter was enclosed in one to Mr. Warden. The Society's records are silent as to the letters above referred to, or as to the gifts received. The vote of thanks to Mr. Warden above recorded was probably in acknowledgment of his attention to the communications entrusted to him.

Mr. David Baillie Warden was Consul-General of the United States of America at Paris. He was the author of a number of publications, of which Allibone gives a full list. He collected a library of nearly twelve hundred books (of which he made a catalogue), which was purchased by Mr. Samuel A. Eliot, in 1823, and presented to Harvard College. — Eds.

ANNUAL MEETING, APRIL, 1819.

At a meeting of the Historical Society, April 29, 1819,—the members present were, Bartlett, A. Bradford, Clap, Davis, Eliot, Freeman, Gray, Hedge, Holmes, Harris, Lowell, Palmer, Quincy, Savage, Snelling, Tudor, Jr., Webster, Winthrop, and Winthrop.

HON. JOHN DAVIS	was chosen	PRESIDENT.
CHARLES LOWELL	„	RECORDING SECRETARY.
ABIEL HOLMES, D.D.	„	CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.
HON. JOSIAH QUINCY	„	TREASURER.
MR. NATHANIEL G. SNELLING	„	LIBRARIAN.
REDFORD WEBSTER, Esq. . . .	„	CABINET-KEEPER.
HON. JAMES WINTHROP	} . were chosen	STANDING COMMITTEE.
JAMES FREEMAN, D.D.		
THOS. L. WINTHROP, Esq.		
REV. JOHN PIERCE		
JAMES SAVAGE, Esq.		

Voted, That the President be requested to express to Peter S. Du Ponceau, Esq., the thanks of the Society for a valuable manuscript, containing that portion of Mourt's Journal not before in the possession of the Society, which he has procured to be copied, and has presented to the Society.

Voted, That Mourt and Winslow's Journals, and the Relation published by the President and Council of New England, and referred to by Winslow, be published in the Collections, and that Dr. Freeman be requested to superintend the publication.*

* Those parts of Mourt's "Relation or Journal," and of Winslow's "Good News," which were published in a fragmentary manner by Purchas in Vol. IV. of his "Pilgrims," had been reprinted from the latter work in Vol. VIII. of the Collections, in 1802. No copies of the original tracts were then known to be accessible to the Committee. Subsequently, Judge Davis, while on a visit to Philadelphia, learned of the existence there of a copy of Mourt, in the City Library. He called Mr. Du Ponceau's attention to it, and that gentleman procured a copy to be made of what was wanting to supply the deficiency in the Society's reprint.

So in regard to Winslow's "Good News." The "copious treasures of the Ebeling collection," then recently added to the Library at Cambridge, contained

Voted, That Mr. Quincy be requested to make application to the Legislature, in behalf of the Society, for one of the surplus copies of Wait's Collection of State Papers.

JONATHAN GOODHUE, Esq., of New York, and ROBERT SOUTHEY, Esq., of London, were elected Corresponding Members.*

Meeting dissolved.

the original tract, and the part wanting was supplied in the same manner. These additional fragments of Mourt and of Winslow were accordingly printed in Vol. IX. of the second series of the Collections, in 1822. It will be seen, further on, that the Publishing Committee were authorized to republish these tracts entire, if they should think proper. The first entire reprint of these valuable narratives relating to the Old Colony was by Dr. Young, in his "Chronicles of Plymouth," in 1841. It may be added that the copy of the "Briefe Relation" of the President and Council of New England, which was used in reprinting that work, as directed in the above vote, was probably supplied from the Ebeling collection. — Eds.

* Dr. Lowell, the Recording Secretary, sent to Mr. Southey his certificate of election, accompanied by the following letter (the transcript on file being without date or signature), to which Mr. Southey's reply is subjoined. A delay of two years in notifying Mr. Southey of his election must have been occasioned by inadvertence.

[MAY 9, 1821.]

"SIR, — I have the honor of enclosing you a communication from the Historical Society of Massachusetts, with a certificate of your election as a Corresponding Member of that Society. We hope that it will not prove unacceptable to you, but that we shall derive from it the honor of your name and the benefit of your correspondence. Our Society is one of the oldest literary associations of the country. It has been the most industrious, and we trust not the least useful. It has published eighteen volumes of its Collections, has a valuable historical library, and numbers among its members some of the most distinguished men of our Republic. It remembers, however, that the republic of letters has no territorial limits, that it includes within its boundaries the wise and good of every country and every clime. It has sought and received the co-operation of the learned in the Old World. In electing members in Great Britain, it desires to strengthen the bonds which connect the two countries, and devoutly hopes that in future there will be no other strife between us than which shall do most for the advancement of human knowledge and human virtue.

"Your works are read by us with great interest, and we rejoice to hear that we are soon to be favored with a work whose scene is laid in the midst of us. We are in the immediate vicinity of Philip's empire. A part of our State was subjected to his dominion, and more than one portion of it was the theatre of his achievements. You have hinted an intention of visiting America. Will

QUARTERLY MEETING.

At a meeting of the Historical Society, Aug. 24, 1819,—the members present were, A. Bradford, J. Davis, Dexter, Gray, Holmes, Lowell, Pierce, Shaw, Spooner, Webster, J. Winthrop, and T. L. Winthrop.

A memorial from the inhabitants living in Franklin Place and Arch Street relative to closing the passage under the Society's room was communicated.

Voted, That Mr. Gray, Mr. Snelling, and Mr. T. L. Winthrop be a committee to act with a committee of the Boston Library Society in

you not come to Boston, allow us to introduce you to our old books and new men, and manners and institutions? We will carry you to Philip's capital, not many miles off, and do every thing we can to make you anxious, like your own Madoc, on returning home, to visit again, and excite your intelligent, candid countrymen to visit the land 'where plenty dwells, and liberty and peace.'

[CHARLES LOWELL.]

"KESWICK, Aug. 3, 1821.

"SIR,—I have received your obliging letter of May 9, 1821, enclosing a communication from the Massachusetts Historical Society. The honor which they have done me by electing me a member of their Society is one of which I am duly sensible, for I am no stranger to their labors. Seventeen volumes of their Collections are on my shelves, and it will not, I trust, be very long before proof will be given of how diligently I have perused them.

"There is no likelihood that I should ever cross the Atlantic, but it is very gratifying to me to be thus intellectually adopted in New England.

"I will request you, if you are acquainted with them, as probably you are, to present my remembrances to Mr. Everett, Mr. Cogswell, and Mr. Ticknor. Mr. Greenwood was here about three months ago, in ill health, which I thought his lowering regimen was much more likely to worsen than to improve. He promised me that when he reached Edinburgh he would take the best advice upon that point. To me it seemed that he was suffering more from debility than disease, and that there was reason to hope for the best effects from a change of treatment. It gives me great pleasure to welcome a traveller from your part of the world, and from no part of the world have I seen travellers who have done so much credit to their country.

"I remain, Sir, with great respect, yours obediently,

"ROBERT SOUTHBY.

"The Rev. CHARLES LOWELL,
Boston, New England."

EDS.

closing the passage-way under the Arch, if it is ascertained that they have the right to do so.

Voted, That the Librarian be authorized to procure a safe and convenient place of deposit for the volumes of the Collections now on hand, if it can be done without expense to the Society.

Voted, That the Librarian and Cabinet-Keeper be authorized to dispose, at their discretion, of any perishable articles in the possession of the Society, preserving an accurate list of them and of the donors, so far as they have been or can be known.*

Several communications of letters and donations were made by the Corresponding Secretary.

Voted, That the thanks of the Society be presented to General Boyd for the valuable donation of Almon's "Remembrancer."†

Voted, That one set of the "Remembrancer" in the possession of the Society be deposited in the Boston Athenæum during the pleasure of the Society, a label being attached to each volume designating it as the property of the Society, and a receipt taken of the Librarian of the Athenæum.

Voted, That the Corresponding Secretary be requested to prepare a form of acknowledgment of donations to the Society, and cause it to be printed.

Voted, That the name of the donor of each book, when it is known, be added to the label which designates it as the property of the Society.

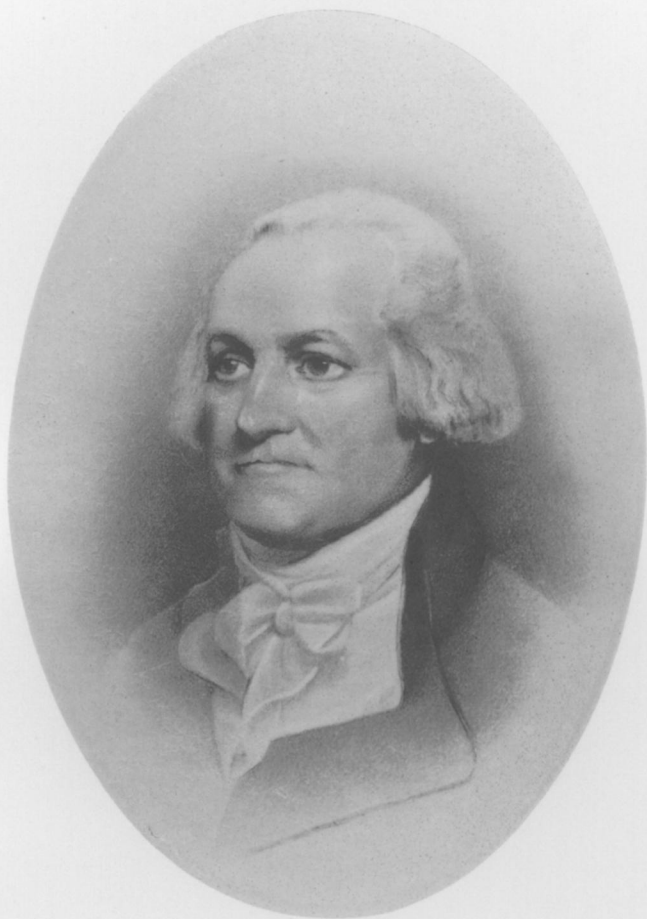
Voted, That the Librarian and Cabinet-Keeper be requested to accept any donations or subscriptions for painting the outside of this building, and attend to the execution of the work.‡

Meeting dissolved.

* These relate, of course, to certain articles in the department of Natural History, such as botanical specimens or the like. — Eds.

† John P. Boyd, Brigadier-General of the army of the United States, was travelling in England at this time. In a letter, dated London, Feb. 14, 1819, he writes that he picked up this set of the "Remembrancer" in Exeter, England, in fine preservation. He doubted if another set existed in the United States. — Eds.

‡ Hon. William Tudor, one of the founders of the Society, died July 8, 1819. A memoir of him by William Tudor, Jr., is in 2 Collections, VIII. 285-325. — Eds.



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A Period of twenty three years has elapsed since the People of these United States seized upon the Right; and after an eventful, & glorious, belligerent Contest established their Claim to the Sovereignty of an independent Nation; but they have never yet assumed an appropriate Name to designate them as such, when singly, & personally applied. In this Respect our Country exhibits a singular Exception to that of all others who are in Possession of Supreme, political Power.

The Appellation of United States is merely descriptive of our national Confederacy, & cannot attach to the individual Citizens who are the Subjects of this federal Government. Therefore, if an Inhabitant of New York was asked by a Foreigner to what Country he belonged, his Reply would be, that he was an American, not, that he was a free Denizen of the United States, because, that he might be, and yet be a Swede or a Scotchman.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

At a meeting of the Historical Society, Oct. 28, 1819, — the members present were, A. Bradford, E. Clap, Davis, Dexter, Eliot, Freeman, Gray, Hedge, Lowell, Pierce, Quincy, Shaw, Snelling, Tudor, Winthrop, and Winthrop.

Voted, That the Indian map of the Old Colony, communicated in manuscript by Dr. Freeman, be engraved at the expense of the Society.*

Voted, That the letters found among the papers of Governor Hutchinson, and communicated by Mr. Bradford, be referred to the Publishing Committee.

Dr. FREEMAN, Mr. JOHN PICKERING, Mr. TUDOR, and Mr. GRAY were chosen a committee to publish the next volume of the Collections.

The vote relative to Mourt and Winslow's Journal, &c., was so far reconsidered as to leave it to the discretion of the Publishing Committee to publish the whole or a part, as they may think proper.

The Committee on the subject of closing the passage under the Arch, made the following report, which was accepted: —

The Committee of the Historical Society to act with a Committee of the Boston Library Society in closing the passage under the Arch, if it is ascertained that they have a right to do so, having conferred with the gentlemen appointed by the Library Society for this purpose, are of opinion that

* We do not remember to have seen elsewhere any reference to this Indian map of the Old Colony. The Society's catalogue of maps does not name it. — Eds.

these Societies alone have not the right to close that passage. With the view, however, of promoting this desirable object, they recommend to the Society the following vote: —

Voted, That the Historical Society recommend to the proprietors of real estate in Franklin Place to cause the passage under the Arch to be rendered impassable for carriages, and authorize them, so far as it may legally do, to take any measures which they shall deem expedient for this purpose, not occasioning any expense to the Society.

The Cabinet-Keeper and Librarian were appointed a committee to make such alterations in the entrance to the Society's room as may avoid the present nuisance.

Mr. QUINCY reported that he had made application for a surplus copy of Wait's Collection of State Papers, and that there were no more copies on hand than were wanted for the use of the Legislature.

William Winthrop, Esq., Nathan Hale, Esq., and Rev. Samuel Ripley were nominated as Resident Members by the Standing Committee, and Gulian C. Verplanck, Esq., of New York, as a Corresponding Member, by Mr. Shaw.

QUARTERLY MEETING, JANUARY, 1820.

At a meeting of the Historical Society, Jan. 27, 1820, — the members present were, Bartlett, Bradford, Dexter, Davis, Freeman, Holmes, Lowell, Nichols, Pickering, Pierce, Quincy, Saltonstall, Savage, Shaw, Tudor, Winthrop, and Winthrop.

The Committee on the subject of the alteration of the entrance to the Society's room, reported that it was inexpedient to do any thing till the spring.